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Subject: Invitation to Resource Agency Scoping Meeting for the Vasquez Blvd, I-270 to 64th NEPA Project

Dear Matt:

The Federal Highway Administration, as lead federal agency, and the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), as the project sponsoring agency, are initiating the environmental process for proposed improvements to Vasquez Boulevard at the intersections of 60th Avenue and 62nd Avenue and other nearby associated improvements in Commerce City, Colorado (see attachment). Your agency is invited to attend a resource agency scoping meeting to provide feedback on area conditions and regulatory concerns. The purpose of the Vasquez Boulevard, I-270 to 64th Avenue project is to improve vehicular and multimodal safety, optimize operations, and improve multimodal connectivity along the Vasquez Boulevard corridor from approximately 58th Avenue to 64th Avenue.

The components included in the Proposed Project are the result of alternatives screening considering alternatives developed during the Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study for Vasquez Boulevard completed in 2018, as well as extensive public and stakeholder engagement and additional alternatives considered during the current project phase.

CDOT is leading this project and has retained David Evans and Associates, Inc. to prepare a National Environmental Policy Act document and design plans for the Proposed Project. We have initially consulted with some resource agencies as part of the project, but this meeting serves as the official agency scoping meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to introduce or re-introduce your agency to the project, review the project's purpose and need, review the project schedule, and obtain agency comment on any important environmental or regulatory issues. This resource agency scoping videoconference is scheduled for **April 11, 2022** from **9 – 10 a.m.**

Your agency's involvement is valuable as we proceed through the environmental process. You will receive a calendar appointment from Leah Langerman, Public and Stakeholder Engagement Coordinator with David Evans and Associates. Please respond by accepting or declining the appointment. Please send a representative if you are unable to attend and/or forward this invitation to the appropriate individual if you feel you are not the correct recipient. If your agency is unable to participate, please let us know if you would like materials or a briefing provided separately through an email to dot_vasquez_i270to64@state.co.us. I look forward to your participation, and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Matt Fink, PE
Project Manager for CDOT's Vasquez Boulevard, I-270 to 64th Avenue Project

Cc: Chris Horn (FHWA), Basil Ryer, Ryan Sorensen (CDOT), Velvet Kuesel, Kara Swanson, Leah Langerman (DEA)
Attachment: Proposed Project graphic